

Senator Braswell moved to amend by filling blank with name of Henry W. Jones.

Amendment made.

Upon motion of Senator Guinn of Cherokee, rule was suspended and bill read third time.

The yeas and nays being called on the final passage of the bill, stood thus :

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Brown, Bumpass, Burney, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Guinn of Cherokee, Lane, Littleton, McDade, Nelson, Neyland, Parker, Randolph, Record, Reed, Saufley, Shannon, Stell and Truitt.—21.

NAYS—Senators Cooley, Foscue, Selman, Shelley and Yarbro—5.

So the bill passed.

Upon motion of Senator Stell, Senator Shelley was added to the Committee on State Affairs.

Upon motion of Senator Guinn of Cherokee, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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SENATE CHAMBER, }  
August 17, 1866. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Chaplain. Roll called—quorum present.

Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

Message received from His Excellency Governor Throckmorton.

Senator Randolph, Chairman of Committee on Penitentiary, reported as follows :

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate :*

The Committee on the Penitentiary, to whom was referred the resolution of the House appointing a committee to visit the State Penitentiary, have had the same under consideration, and unanimously instruct me to report it back, with the recommendation that the Senate concur in the resolution to the extent of appointing one Senator to co-operate with the committee on the part of the House.

RANDOLPH, Chairman.

Report received to come up in order.

Senator Reed, Chairman of Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, reported as follows :

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate :*

The Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Brownsville Bridge Company," have had the same under consideration,

and instruct me to report the same back and recommend its passage. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. REED, Chairman.

Report received to come up in order.

Senator Neyland, Chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as follows :

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate :*

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined the following bills, viz :

A bill to be entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Hart's Creek Turnpike Company, in Titus County."

Joint resolution requesting of the President of the United States the removal of the United States troops from the interior to the frontier.

"Joint resolution providing for the printing of the Journals and Laws of the present session of the Legislature."

And have to report that we find them correctly engrossed.

W. M. NEYLAND, Chairman.

Senator Randolph introduced a bill making appropriations to pay mileage and per diem pay of J. B. Boyd, delegate to Convention.

Read first and second times, and referred to Finance Committee.

The following communication from the Comptroller was taken from the President's desk and read :

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, }  
AUSTIN, August 16, 1866. }

*To Honorable Senate of the Eleventh Legislature :*

GENTLEMEN: In reply to your resolution of yesterday, I have the honor to inform you :

1. That the aggregate value of the taxable property of the State, as rendered for taxation for the year 1860, was \$294,315,-639 00.

2. That the estimated number of acres, upon which no tax was paid for the year 1865, was \$56,821,220.

3. That the loss of revenue arising from the abolition of African slavery, as based upon the value of slaves for the year 1860, at the then existing rate of taxation, being 12½ cents. on the one hundred dollars of valuation, is \$133,361 17, that being the tax on \$106,688,920 00.

4. That an estimate of the expenses of the Civil Government for the years 1866 and 1867 will be furnished you at an early day. I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

W. L. ROBARDS, Comptroller.

Upon motion of Senator Shelley, communication referred to Committee on Finance.

The Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the petition or memorial of the citizens of Colorado county, asking for prohibition of the sale of spirituous liquors within three miles of Osage Academy, in said county, have had the same under consideration, and unanimously instruct me to report the following bill, and recommend its passage.

J. K. P. RECORD, Chairman.

Report taken up.

Bill read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the memorial of the citizens of Georgetown, in Williamson county, asking "A Charter of Incorporation," have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report the accompanying bill, and recommend its passage.

The committee are informed that the memorialists cannot avail themselves of the provisions of the general law, not having the requisite number of population,

SHELLEY, for Judiciary Committee.

Report taken up.

Bill read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled "An act to incorporate the Brazos Bridge Company," have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back to the Senate, and recommend its passage. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. REED, Chairman.

Report taken up. Bill read second time, and upon motion of Senator McDade was ordered to be engrossed.

McDade moved suspension of rule in order that the bill may be put on its third reading. Motion withdrawn.

The Committee on Manufactures and Commerce, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Austin county, praying for a charter to manufacture cotton and woollen fabrics, after considering the same, have instructed me to report the accompanying bill and recommend its passage. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. YARBRO, Chairman.

Report taken up.

Bill read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On account of the partial deafness of Senator Lane, Senator Saufley moved that the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to move his desk to a place in front of the President's stand.

Motion carried.

Upon motion of Senator Stell, Senator Guinn of Cherokee was excused on account of the sickness of his brother.

Upon motion of Senator Nelson, Senator Stell was added to the Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

Upon motion of Senator Record, Senator McDade was added to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senator Dalrymple offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the use of the Senate Chamber be, and the same is hereby tendered to the managers for the purposes of the Inaugural Ball this evening ; provided, the desks shall not be removed from the Chamber, and shall be returned to their places by 10 o'clock, a. m., to-morrow.

Senator Cook moved to amend by inserting the words, " the desks not to be moved from their present places."

Upon motion of Senator Sausley, the resolution and amendment were laid upon the table.

Senator Sausley offered the following joint resolution :

WHEREAS, During the late civil war between the Northern and Southern sections of the United States of America, thousands of the sons of Texas laid down their lives upon distant battle fields in defence of what they sincerely believed a sacred and inalienable right, and

WHEREAS, The rites of sepulture have not been properly bestowed upon the *manes* of many of those noble martyrs to the cause of their country, and their sacred forms now lie undraped and uninterred, exposed to the bleak storms of Northern winters and the sultry suns of Southern summers ; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That ——— acres of land, out of the hundred million acres belonging to this sovereign State, be given for the purpose of laying out a cemetery, in which shall be deposited the remains of her aforesaid children. That the Governor of the State be, and is hereby authorized to appoint some suitable person, (who shall be allowed to appoint such assistants as he may deem necessary,) whose duty it shall be to visit every battle field upon which Texas troops have been engaged during the late war, and that said agent use every endeavor to identify and collect the remains of said Texas soldiers and bring them to be buried in the bosom of the " people they loved so well."

That this resolution apply as well to those soldiers who died while prisoners of war, of wounds contracted in the army and of disease, in Northern prisons.

That the sum of ——— dollars be appropriated, out of any money not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of carrying out this resolution.

Read first and second time, and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Senator Selman introduced a bill making an appropriation for the mileage and per diem pay of the members and the per diem pay of the officers of the Eleventh Legislature of the State of Texas. Bill read first time.

Upon motion of Senator Saufley, rule was suspended and bill put on its second reading.

Upon motion of Senator Record, the word "fifty" in fourth line of 1st Section was stricken out, and the word "eighty" substituted therefor.

Bill read second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Upon motion of Senator McDade, the Senate adjourned until Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

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SENATE CHAMBER, }  
Aug. 20, 1866. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called—quorum present.

Journal of Friday, the 17th inst., read and adopted.

Senator Littleton presented a petition from citizens of San Patricio county, asking that the State tax may be relinquished to said county.

Petition referred to Finance Committee.

A message from the House of Representatives was received, requesting the Senate to meet the House in joint session to hear the reading of the Governor's Message.

Upon motion of Senator McDade, the Senate took a recess of twenty minutes.

Recess expired. Senate met.

Upon motion of Senator McDade, the Senate proceeded to the House of Representatives, in compliance with request from the same.

Roll called—quorum present.

The message of the Governor was then read to the two Houses in joint session.

Upon motion of Senator Reed, the Senate returned to its Chamber.

Senator Record, Chairman of Joint Committee to examine the law of the United States concerning the election of United States Senators, made the following report :